

## REPLACEMENT SHEET

## ABSTRACT

A device (1) for applying and heat-shrinking plastics labels includes a central body (2) and an outer body (3), coaxially movable one within the other one by the action of an injector element (14), positioned in such a way to realise an interspace (20) between the bodies, and shaped in such a way to receive a label (19) to be applied, and to position the same about the outer surface of the same container (18). The device includes a device (16) for introducing hot air into the interspace (20), so as to realise heat-shrinking of the label (19), and a device (4) to bring the outer body (3) back in the rest position, after having stopped the action on the injector element (14). Also described is a process for applying the labels.